New LSV and NEV Codes

New Information

Body type codes (BTC) have been developed to differentiate a low speed vehicle (LSV) or a neighborhood electric vehicle (NEV) from a golf cart (GC) in the department's database.

Procedures

Use the following body type model (BTM) and BTCs for LSVs and NEVs with federal safety standard labels:

Type of Vehicle	Body Type	BTM	BTC
Auto (new, used, and nonresident)	LSV	LS	0
	NEV	NE	0
Commercial (new, used, and nonresident)	LSV	LS	P
	NEV	NE	P
NOTE: Do not use the body type varied (VA).			

Background

The vehicle identification number (VIN) does not always generate the correct make, year model, motive power, or body type on DMV's database. **EXAMPLE:** the VIN may generate a body type of GC when the vehicle is an LSV or NEV.

The BTCs ensure proper identification of LSVs and NEVs.

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